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Section 1

Introduction

1.1 Background

Various waterbodies in the Middle Santa Ana River (MSAR) watershed are listed on the state 303(d) list of impaired waters due to high levels of fecal indicator bacteria (FIB). The MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL ("MSAR Bacteria TMDL") was adopted by the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) and approved by the State Water Resources Control Board to address these impairments (RWQCB 2005). EPA Region 9 approved the MSAR Bacteria TMDL on May 16, 2007 making the TMDL effective.

The MSAR Bacteria TMDL requires implementation of a watershed-wide compliance monitoring program for bacterial indicators. This program was initiated in July 2007. The TMDL requires that periodic monitoring reports be submitted to the RWQCB. The first report covered both the dry and wet seasons of 2007-2008. Subsequently, biannual (December – dry season report; May – wet season report) have been submitted to the RWQCB (December 2008, May 2009, and December 2009). Biannual reports will continue to be submitted in the future.

In addition to these regular reporting requirements, the TMDL requires preparation of a water quality assessment every three years that summarizes the data collected for the preceding three year period and evaluates progress towards achieving the wasteload and load allocations. This requirement is also included in the San Bernardino County and Riverside County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permits (Section V.D.1.iii and Section VI.D.1.a.iii, respectively, permit adopted by RWQCB on January 29, 2010).

This document provides the first three year water quality assessment for the MSAR Bacteria TMDL – fulfilling both TMDL and MS4 permit reporting requirements. It summarizes the results of watershed-wide compliance sampling conducted from 2007 to 2009. This assessment also summarizes wet weather FIB concentrations observed at monitoring locations established by agricultural dischargers.

1.2 TMDL Requirements

In 1994 and 1998, because of exceedances of the fecal coliform objective established to protect the REC-1 use, the RWQCB added the following waterbodies in the MSAR watershed to the state 303(d) list of impaired waters:

- Santa Ana River, Reach 3 – Prado Dam to Mission Boulevard
- Chino Creek, Reach 1 – Santa Ana River confluence to beginning of hard lined channel south of Los Serranos Road

- Chino Creek, Reach 2 – Beginning of hard lined channel south of Los Serranos Road to confluence with San Antonio Creek
- Mill Creek (Prado Area) – Natural stream from Cucamonga Creek Reach 1 to Prado Basin
- Cucamonga Creek, Reach 1 – Confluence with Mill Creek to 23rd Street in City of Upland
- Prado Park Lake

The 2005 RWQCB-adopted TMDL for these waters established compliance targets or wasteload allocations (WLA) and load allocations (LA) for both fecal coliform and *E. coli*. The WLAs apply to urban runoff including stormwater runoff and dischargers from Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs); the LAs apply to agricultural runoff discharges and natural sources. Regardless of the allocation (WLA or LA), the FIB numeric targets are the same:

- Fecal coliform: 5-sample/30-day logarithmic mean less than 180 organisms/100 mL and not more than 10% of the samples exceed 360 organisms/100 mL for any 30-day period.
- *E. coli*: 5-sample/30-day logarithmic mean less than 113 organisms/100 mL and not more than 10% of the samples exceed 212 organisms/100 mL for any 30-day period.

Section 2

Watershed-Wide Compliance Monitoring Program

The MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL requires urban and agricultural dischargers to implement a watershed-wide bacterial indicator monitoring program by November 2007 (RWQCB 2005). The dischargers worked collaboratively through the MSAR Watershed TMDL Task Force¹ ("Task Force") to develop this program and prepare a Monitoring Plan (SAWPA 2008a) and Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) (SAWPA 2008b)². The TMDL Task Force implemented the monitoring program in July 2007 following RWQCB approval of program documents.

SAWPA (2009a) summarizes the findings from the 2007 dry season and 2007-08 wet season monitoring. SAWPA (2009b) and SAWPA (2009c) summarize the findings from the 2008 dry and 2008-2009 wet seasons, respectively. SAWPA (2009d) summarizes the results from the 2009 dry season.

2.1 Watershed-Wide Compliance Monitoring Sites

The TMDL Task Force established five watershed-wide compliance monitoring sites in the MSAR watershed. Table 2-1 and Figure 2-1 identify the locations sampled from 2007 to 2009³. Attachment A of the Monitoring Plan (see footnote 2) provides additional information about each sample location.

Table 2-1. Watershed-wide compliance monitoring program sample locations

Waterbody	Sample Location	Site Code
Icehouse Canyon	Near Icehouse Canyon Trailhead Parking Lot	WW-C1
Prado Lake	Prado Lake Outlet	WW-C3
Chino Creek	Central Avenue	WW-C7
Mill-Cucamonga Creek	Chino-Corona Road	WW-M5
Santa Ana River	MWD Crossing	WW-S1
Santa Ana River	Pedley Avenue	WW-S4

¹ This Task Force includes representation by key watershed stakeholders, including stormwater programs for Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, agricultural operators, RWQCB, and SAWPA.

² The Middle Santa Ana River Monitoring Plan and Quality Assurance Project Plan are available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/tmdl/msar_tmdl.shtml

³ Prior to the 2009 dry season, Icehouse Canyon was included as watershed-wide compliance monitoring site. However, with RWQCB approval the Task Force removed this site from the sampling program prior to the start of the 2009 dry season monitoring program.

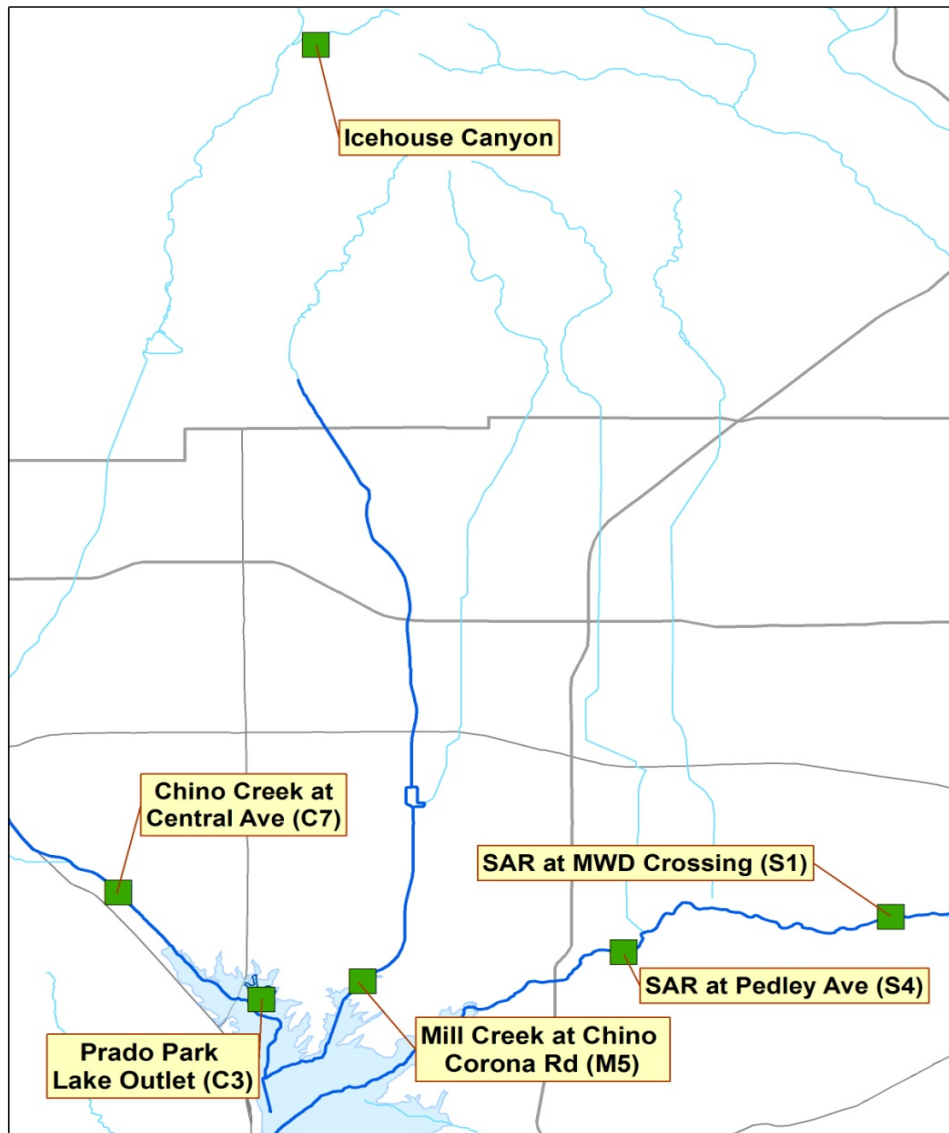


Figure 2-1. Location of watershed-wide compliance monitoring program sample locations in the Middle Santa Ana River watershed

2.2 Sampling Methods

The RWQCB-approved Monitoring Plan and QAPP (SAWPA 2008a, b) provide detailed information regarding the collection and analysis of field data and water quality samples. The following sections provide a summary of these methods.

2.2.1 Water Quality Measurements

At each sample site water quality measurements include the collection of field parameter data and water samples for laboratory analysis:

- *Field Measurements*: Flow, temperature, conductivity, pH, dissolved oxygen, and turbidity.
- *Laboratory Analysis*: Fecal coliform, *E. coli*, and total suspended solids (TSS).

2.2.2 Sample Frequency

The Monitoring Plan established sample collection dates for each year of the monitoring program. These are summarized as follows:

- *2007 Dry Season* - Weekly samples were collected over a 15 week period from July 9, 2007 to the week ending October 14, 2007. Table 2-2 summarizes the results of this effort.

Table 2-2. Summary of water sample collection activity during 2007 dry season

Sample Month	Planned	Collected	Site Dry	Samples Missed (Cause)
July	24	20	4 ¹	0
August	24	20	4 ¹	0
September	24	20	4 ¹	0
October	18	15	3 ¹	0

¹ Icehouse Canyon was dry – no sample collected

- *2008 Dry Season* – Sampling began as scheduled the week of May 13th. However, laboratory contract problems, which prevented the laboratory from accepting samples for analysis, resulted in the suspension of sampling for a six week period from the week of July 20, 2008 through the end of August 2008. Once the contract issues were resolved, weekly sample collection resumed the week of September 1, 2008. To ensure the collection of 20 warm, dry season samples in 2008, the TMDL Task Force agreed to extend the sample period into the first week of November 2008. Table 2-3 summarizes the results of the 2008 dry season sampling effort.
- *2009 Dry Season* - Weekly samples were collected over a 20 week period from the week ending May 30, 2009 to the week ending October 10, 2009. Table 2-4 summarizes the results of this sampling effort.

Table 2-3. Summary of water sample collection activity during 2008 dry season

Sample Month	Planned	Collected	Site Dry	Samples Missed (Cause)
May	18	17	0	1 (road closure in Icehouse Canyon due to fire)
June	24	24	0	0
July ¹	18	18	0	0
August ²	0	0	0	0
September	27	27	0	0
October	27	27	0	0
November	6	6	0	0

¹ Sample program suspended for six weeks during months of July and August (see text for discussion)

Table 2-4. Summary of water sample collection activity during 2009 dry season

Sample Month	Planned	Collected	Samples Missed
May	5	5	0
June	25	25	0
July	20	20	0
August	20	20	0
September	25	25	0
October	5	5	0

- *2007-2008 Wet Season* - Weekly samples were collected over a 10 week period from the week ending December 22, 2007 to the week ending February 23, 2008. In addition, one storm event was sampled. Storm event sampling includes: (1) collection of a sample on the day of the storm event; (2) collection of additional samples at 48, 72 and 96 hours after the onset if the storm event. During this wet season a storm event was sampled on December 7, 2007. Additional samples were collected 48, 72 and 96 hours after the storm event on December 9th, 10th and 11th, respectively. Table 2-5 summarizes the results of the 2007-2008 wet season sampling effort.
- *2008-2009 Wet Season* - Weekly samples collected over an 11 week period from the week ending December 13, 2008 to the week ending February 21, 2009. During the 2008-2009 sampling period, a storm event was sampled on December 15th, 2008. Additional samples were collected 48, 72 and 96 hours after the storm event on December 17th, 18th and 19th, respectively. Table 2-6 summarizes the results of the 2008-2009 wet season sampling effort.

2.2.3 Sample Collection

San Bernardino County Flood Control District staff collected the field measurements and water quality samples. CDM coordinated the activities of the sample team and the submittal of samples to the laboratory for analysis.

Table 2-5. Summary of water sample collection activity during 2007-2008 wet season

Sample Month	Planned	Collected	Site Dry	Samples Missed (Cause)
Weekly Sampling				
December	12	10	2 ²	0
January	30	25	5 ²	0
February	18	15	3 ²	0
Storm Event Sampling				
December 7 - 11	24	20	4 ²	0

¹ Wet weather event occurred on December 7th

² Icehouse Canyon was dry – no sample collected

Table 2-6. Summary of water sample collection activity during 2008-2009 wet season

Sample Month	Planned	Collected	Site Dry	Samples Missed (Cause)
Weekly Sampling				
December	24	24 ¹	0	0
January	24	24	0	0
February	18	18	0	0
Storm Event Sampling				
December 15 -19	24	24	0	0

¹ Collection of weekly samples planned for week of December 15 coincided with collection of samples during the first day of a storm event. Accordingly, the first day storm event sample represented the regular weekly sampling event.

2.2.4 Sample Handling

Sample collection and laboratory delivery followed approved chain of custody procedures, holding time requirements, and required storage procedures for each water quality analysis. The Orange County Health Care Agency Water Quality Laboratory conducted all analyses for fecal coliform, *E. coli*, and TSS.

2.3 Data Management

The following sections describe data handling and analysis methods. Additional details are provided in the Monitoring Plan and QAPP (see footnote 2).

2.3.1 Data Handling

CDM and SAWPA maintain a file of all laboratory and field data records (e.g., data sheets, chain of custody forms) as required by the QAPP. CDM entered all field measurements and laboratory analysis results into a project database that is compatible with guidelines and formats established by the California Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program. CDM periodically submits to SAWPA updates of this for incorporation into the Santa Ana Watershed Data Management System (SAWDMS), which SAWPA manages. Prior to a data submittal to SAWPA, CDM completes a quality assurance/quality control review of the data.

2.3.2 Data Analysis

Data analysis relied primarily on the use of descriptive statistics and comparisons to water quality objectives or TMDL allocations. For any statistical analyses, the bacterial indicator data were assumed to be log-normally distributed as was observed in previous studies (SAWPA 2009a). Accordingly, prior to conducting statistical analyses, the bacterial indicator data were log transformed.

Section 3

Compliance with Wasteload Allocations

The TMDL contains WLAs for urban discharges and CAFOs. The watershed-wide compliance monitoring program samples five locations on a regular basis. These sites evaluate compliance with WLAs. Source specific monitoring, i.e., urban discharge vs. CAFO discharge does not occur at this time. The following sections summarize the FIB concentrations observed at the watershed-wide compliance sites during the last three years.

3.1 Bacterial Indicator Concentrations

The following tables summarize the observed FIB_i concentrations at each of the watershed-wide compliance sites during the dry and wet season sample periods from 2007-2009:

- Table 3-1 summarizes observations for both dry and wet seasons from summer 2007 to spring 2008.
- Table 3-2 summarizes the observations during the dry season of 2008.
- Table 3-3 summarizes the observations during the wet season of 2008-2009.
- Table 3-4 summarizes the observations during the dry season of 2009.

Tables 3-5 and 3-6 summarize the geometric mean, median, and coefficient of variation of the fecal coliform data for samples collected during each dry and wet weather season. Data from Icehouse Canyon was not included because the site was either often dry or the results were below laboratory detection.

Tables 3-7 and 3-8 summarize the geometric mean, median, and coefficient of variation of the *E. coli* data for samples collected during each dry and wet weather season. Data from Icehouse Canyon was not included because the site was either often dry or the results were below laboratory detection.

Figures 3-1 to 3-5 illustrate the trend in single sample and geometric mean results for fecal coliform for the 2007-2009 period for all sites except Icehouse Canyon. Figures 3-6 to 3-10 illustrate the same for *E. coli*.

Figure 3-11 illustrates the variability of bacterial indicator concentrations observed during the 2007-2009 period for both dry and wet seasons. Superimposed on this figure are the individual wet weather event sample results. These sample results tend to be higher than the median FIB concentrations.

Table 3-1. Fecal coliform and *E. coli* (cfu/100 mL) concentrations observed at watershed-wide compliance sites during 2007-2008

Sample Week	Fecal coliform						<i>E. coli</i>					
	Icehouse Canyon (WW-C1)	Prado Park Lake (WW-C3)	Chino Creek (WW-C7)	Mill Creek (WW-M5)	Santa Ana River @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	Santa Ana River @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)	Icehouse Canyon (WW-C1)	Prado Park Lake (WW-C3)	Chino Creek (WW-C7)	Mill Creek (WW-M5)	Santa Ana River @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	Santa Ana River @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)
2007 Dry Season												
7/8/07	NS ¹	30	5,200	5,200	170	150	NS ¹	30	1,210	2,000	30	40
7/15/07	NS ¹	9	3,000	2,600	270	220	NS ¹	< 9	810	> 1,000	290	60
7/22/07	NS ¹	60	5,900	> 9,000	220	2,300	NS ¹	60	> 2,700	> 5,700	99	150
7/29/07	NS ¹	> 340	2,000	> 1,600	700	> 240	NS ¹	230	560	1,170	70	140
8/5/07	NS ¹	210	1,500	2,700	210	550	NS ¹	110	940	> 1,150	140	110
8/12/07	NS ¹	300	2,400	2,200	420	560	NS ¹	170	420	720	280	140
8/19/07	NS ¹	440	1,100	2,800	3,100	1,100	NS ¹	440	> 1,030	> 750	> 490	150
8/26/07	NS ¹	99	> 2,400	> 1,300	> 900	1,110	NS ¹	30	770	780	220	280
9/2/07	NS ¹	140	1,800	> 1,500	2,600	18,000	NS ¹	150	870	550	960	2,800
9/9/07	NS ¹	50	> 720	> 2,300	1,800	2,200	NS ¹	30	> 720	> 1,150	170	180
9/16/07	NS ¹	820	1,100	> 1,500	310	510	NS ¹	990	> 330	> 760	170	170
9/23/07	NS ¹	40	6,000	4,200	4,900	3,400	NS ¹	50	> 800	> 700	> 380	> 310
9/30/07	NS ¹	200	510	1,700	600	430	NS ¹	140	320	730	200	140
10/7/07	NS ¹	140	440	480	280	220	NS ¹	180	260	500	220	200
10/14/07	NS ¹	70	> 700	2,400	110	470	NS ¹	40	440	910	360	480
2007-08 Wet Season												
12/16/07	NS ¹	380	80	730	2,200	2,600	NS ¹	260	120	1,500	3,800	4,600
12/23/07	NS ¹	210	320	170	120	80	NS ¹	170	240	150	120	130
12/30/07	NS ¹	180	230	180	40	60	NS ¹	200	210	200	130	70
1/6/08	NS ¹	80	310	480	160	520	NS ¹	120	220	360	140	490
1/13/08	NS ¹	80	200	180	50	80	NS ¹	110	260	100	40	70
1/20/08	NS ¹	50	4,100	230	40	9	NS ¹	60	2,100	200	30	50
1/27/08	NS ¹	520	210	340	180	390	NS ¹	470	260	360	190	260
2/3/08	NS ¹	280	70	160	120	90	NS ¹	250	110	50	40	30
2/10/08	NS ¹	130	130	70	40	40	NS ¹	90	50	110	40	80
2/17/08	NS ¹	60	150	7,700	60	140	NS ¹	80	150	5,200	40	80

Table 3-1. Fecal coliform and *E. coli* (cfu/100 mL) concentrations observed at watershed-wide compliance sites during 2007-2008

Sample Week	Fecal coliform						<i>E. coli</i>					
	Icehouse Canyon (WW-C1)	Prado Park Lake (WW-C3)	Chino Creek (WW-C7)	Mill Creek (WW-M5)	Santa Ana River @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	Santa Ana River @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)	Icehouse Canyon (WW-C1)	Prado Park Lake (WW-C3)	Chino Creek (WW-C7)	Mill Creek (WW-M5)	Santa Ana River @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	Santa Ana River @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)
Wet Weather Event												
12/7/07	NS ¹	260	10,000	22,000	43,000	9,000	NS ¹	160	5,100	> 5,000	22,000	7,200
12/9/07	NS ¹	130	3,100	790	420	2,000	NS ¹	90	2,200	520	310	780
12/10/07	NS ¹	90	230	200	190	190	NS ¹	120	200	130	110	120
12/11/07	NS ¹	99	240		210	190	NS ¹	90	230	120	120	170

¹ – No sample, site dry

Table 3-2. Fecal coliform and *E. coli* concentrations (cfu/100 ml) observed at watershed-wide compliance sites during the 2008 dry season

Sample Date (Week of)	Icehouse Canyon (WW-C1)	Prado Park Lake Outlet (WW-C3)	Chino Creek @ Central Avenue (WW-C7)	Mill Creek @ Chino-Corona Rd (WW-M5)	SAR @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	SAR @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)
Fecal coliform						
May 13	No Sample (Dry)	99	280	1,000	340	180
May 20	< 9	60	200	540	110	40
May 27	< 9	60	590	3,500	500	690
June 3	< 9	90	470	3,000	820	670
June 10	< 9	30	3,200	1,140	390	380
June 17	< 9	40	1,000	1,400	90	280
June 24	< 9	> 400	2,700	1,400	580	3,900
July 1	< 9	490	580	1,300	340	240
July 8	< 9	420	560	5,900	380	210
July 15	< 9	70	9,600	> 3,400	230	190
September 2	< 9	290	8,100	1,600	350	2,300
September 9	30	170	2,400	590	280	320
September 16	40	> 500	3,800	380	190	210
September 23	20	230	850	2,800	50	140
September 30	< 9	260	560	490	220	60
October 7	< 9	200	380	40	130	110
October 14	< 9	200	210	18,000	150	70
October 21	< 9	160	920	1,700	70	90
October 28	< 9	110	230	420	140	160
November 4	< 9	180	36,000	3,800	2,700	5,600
<i>E. coli</i>						
May 13	No Sample (Dry)	100	350	1,260	470	110
May 20	< 9	40	210	590	160	90
May 27	< 9	80	320	700	270	200
June 3	< 9	20	500	1,180	> 160	> 200

Table 3-2. Fecal coliform and *E. coli* concentrations (cfu/100 ml) observed at watershed-wide compliance sites during the 2008 dry season

Sample Date (Week of)	Icehouse Canyon (WW-C1)	Prado Park Lake Outlet (WW-C3)	Chino Creek @ Central Avenue (WW-C7)	Mill Creek @ Chino-Corona Rd (WW-M5)	SAR @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	SAR @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)
June 10	< 9	70	610	1,030	150	370
June 17	< 9	90	310	1,240	110	310
June 24	< 9	340	440	810	180	170
July 1	< 9	670	480	620	180	140
July 8	< 9	360	310	8,700	200	130
July 15	< 9	140	1,610	1,100	40	70
September 2	< 9	160	850	790	180	690
September 9	40	50	1,000	540	140	190
September 16	30	350	1,130	730	130	90
September 23	30	230	710	2,100	80	40
September 30	< 9	240	620	720	150	90
October 7	< 9	240	320	140	60	150
October 14	< 9	220	260	2,800	120	90
October 21	< 9	50	210	420	90	140
October 28	< 9	40	230	340	200	320
November 4	< 9	99	33,000	440	340	620

Table 3-3. Fecal coliform and *E. coli* concentrations (cfu/100 mL) observed at watershed-wide compliance sites during the 2008-2009 wet season

Bacterial Indicator	Sample Date (Week of)	Icehouse Canyon Creek (WW-C1)	Prado Park Lake Outlet (WW-C3)	Chino Creek @ Central Avenue (WW-C7)	Mill Creek @ Chino-Corona Rd (WW-M5)	SAR @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	SAR @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)
Fecal coliform	Regular Sample Events						
	December 8	< 9	410	5,800	900	170	150
	December 15 ¹	< 90	1,700	4,300	4,800	2,400	4,200
	December 22	< 9	40	410	200	210	320
	December 29	< 9	60	160	180	99	99
	January 5	< 9	40	190	530	20	40
	January 12	< 9	120	190	380	30	70
	January 19	< 9	99	640	850	20	50
	January 26	< 9	220	350	380	80	99
	February 2	9	40	220	390	40	50
	February 9	< 9	2,100	220	280	70	80
	February 16	< 9	10,500	4,800	450	330	330
	Storm Event Samples						
	December 15 ¹	< 90	1,700	4,300	4,800	2,400	4,200
	December 17	20	480	10,300	1,700	3,700	4,700
	December 18	< 9	400	3,100	5,900	3,800	3,900
	December 19	< 9	40	290	140	650	1,300
<i>E. coli</i>	Regular Sample Events						
	December 8	< 9	510	12,900	970	90	260
	December 15 ¹	< 90	2,000	5,700	7,200	1,700	3,800
	December 22	< 9	80	2,100	210	210	340
	December 29	< 9	100	210	270	60	60
	January 5	< 9	110	30	640	30	9
	January 12	< 9	90	150	390	40	40
	January 19	< 9	120	510	660	< 9	120
	January 26	< 9	310	320	390	110	120
	February 2	9	40	160	580	20	80

Table 3-3. Fecal coliform and *E. coli* concentrations (cfu/100 mL) observed at watershed-wide compliance sites during the 2008-2009 wet season

Bacterial Indicator	Sample Date (Week of)	Icehouse Canyon Creek (WW-C1)	Prado Park Lake Outlet (WW-C3)	Chino Creek @ Central Avenue (WW-C7)	Mill Creek @ Chino-Corona Rd (WW-M5)	SAR @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	SAR @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)
<i>E. coli</i>	February 9	< 9	2,700	280	380	60	70
	February 16	< 9	15,000	6,200	500	220	340
	Storm Event Samples						
	December 15 ¹	< 90	2,000	5,700	7,200	1,700	3,800
	December 17	9	290	7,600	1,400	1,400	2,500
	December 18	< 9	600	2,500	4,200	3,400	4,600
	December 19	< 9	260	390	590	880	2,400

¹ First storm event sample coincided with regular weekly sample date and represent the same sample

Table 3-4. Fecal coliform and *E. coli* concentrations (cfu/100 mL) observed at watershed-wide compliance sites during the 2009 dry season

Sample Week	Prado Park Lake Outlet (WW-C3)	Chino Creek @ Central Avenue (WW-C7)	Mill-Cucamonga Creek @ Chino-Corona Rd (WW-M5)	SAR @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	SAR @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)
Fecal coliform					
May 25	120	210	150	120	99
June 1	40	70	210	80	50
June 8	140	220	540	40	140
June 15	140	170	480	140	90
June 22	20	220	290	99	120
June 29	90	280	350	80	99
July 6	40	1,100	300	140	120
July 13	< 9	1,600	>= 220	120	160
July 20	40	250	280	150	170
July 27	80	320	1,500	160	220
August 3	70	280	280	120	220
August 10	99	>= 520	>= 560	170	140
August 17	250	200	270	130	140
August 24	200	>= 230	4300	140	90
August 31	>= 180	2200	500	240	460
September 7	120	>= 240	>= 450	99	230
September 14	>= 110	1000	3000	150	180
September 21	>= 790	>= 460	>= 840	110	90
September 28	150	250	850	180	220
October 5	80	210	580	70	200
<i>E. coli</i>					
May 25	180	180	320	100	140
June 1	80	40	490	40	40
June 8	90	230	620	80	110
June 15	90	140	830	140	100

Table 3-4. Fecal coliform and *E. coli* concentrations (cfu/100 mL) observed at watershed-wide compliance sites during the 2009 dry season

Sample Week	Prado Park Lake Outlet (WW-C3)	Chino Creek @ Central Avenue (WW-C7)	Mill-Cucamonga Creek @ Chino-Corona Rd (WW-M5)	SAR @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	SAR @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)
June 22	50	80	330	140	130
June 29	50	130	410	90	99
July 6	40	190	570	60	140
July 13	9	270	370	140	70
July 20	9	160	520	80	130
July 27	40	280	2,300	140	90
August 3	50	210	540	140	120
August 10	9	350	982	110	140
August 17	50	230	620	120	130
August 24	80	>= 410	4,600	320	>= 240
August 31	>= 50	740	1,350	>= 220	>= 210
September 7	110	370	950	180	210
September 14	>= 50	360	2,900	220	150
September 21	>= 730	220	700	210	120
September 28	40	140	690	110	140
October 5	30	110	620	100	110

Table 3-5. Summary of fecal coliform concentrations (cfu/100 mL) and data variability by sample location during the 2007, 2008 and 2009 dry seasons (2007-2008 data from Icehouse Canyon were not included because the site was often dry or values were below detection)

Site	2009				2008				2007			
	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation ¹	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation ¹	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation ¹
Prado Park Lake	20	91	105	0.21	20	152	175	0.17	15	114	140	0.25
Chino Creek	20	339	250	0.14	20	1,116	720	0.20	15	1,678	1,800	0.11
Mill-Cucamonga Creek	20	505	405	0.14	20	1,334	1,400	0.18	15	2,240	2,300	0.09
SAR @ MWD Crossing	20	119	125	0.08	20	232	225	0.18	15	572	420	0.18
SAR @ Pedley Ave.	20	144	140	0.10	20	306	225	0.22	15	773	550	0.19

¹ - Coefficient of variation was calculated using natural log-transformed data

Table 3-6. Summary of *E. coli* concentrations (cfu/100 mL) and data variability by sample location during the 2007, 2008, and 2009 dry seasons (2007-2008 data from Icehouse Canyon were not included because the site was often dry or values were below detection)

Site	2009				2008				2007			
	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation ¹	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation ¹	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation ¹
Prado Park Lake	20	51	50	0.26	20	124	120	0.19	15	90	110	0.27
Chino Creek	20	202	215	0.12	20	570	460	0.18	15	676	770	0.09
Mill-Cucamonga Creek	20	764	620	0.11	20	855	760	0.13	15	979	780	0.09
SAR @ MWD Crossing	20	123	130	0.08	20	148	155	0.14	15	204	220	0.18
SAR @ Pedley Ave.	20	123	130	0.10	20	162	145	0.11	15	187	150	0.19

¹ - Coefficient of variation was calculated using natural log-transformed data

Table 3-7. Summary of fecal coliform concentrations (cfu/100 mL) and data variability by sample location during the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 wet seasons (2007-2008 data from Icehouse Canyon were not included because the site was often dry or values were below detection)

Site	2008-2009				2007-2008			
	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation ¹	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation ¹
Prado Park Lake	14	230	170	0.32	14	144	130	0.14
Chino Creek	14	776	380	0.23	14	365	230	0.26
Mill Creek	14	595	420	0.18	14	431	215	0.26
SAR @ MWD Crossing	14	188	135	0.35	14	196	140	0.36
SAR @ Pedley Ave.	14	266	125	0.32	14	219	165	0.34

¹ - Coefficient of variation was calculated using natural log-transformed data

Table 3-8. Summary of *E. coli* concentrations (cfu/100 mL) and data variability by sample location during the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 wet seasons (2007-2008 data from Icehouse Canyon were not included because the site was often dry or values were below detection)

Site	2008-2009				2007-2008			
	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation ¹	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation ¹
Prado Park Lake	14	335	275	0.28	14	138	120	0.11
Chino Creek	14	806	450	0.27	14	311	225	0.23
Mill Creek	14	718	585	0.15	14	323	200	0.25
SAR @ MWD Crossing	14	148	100	0.35	14	165	120	0.36
SAR @ Pedley Ave.	14	257	190	0.32	14	214	125	0.34

¹ - Coefficient of variation was calculated using natural log-transformed data

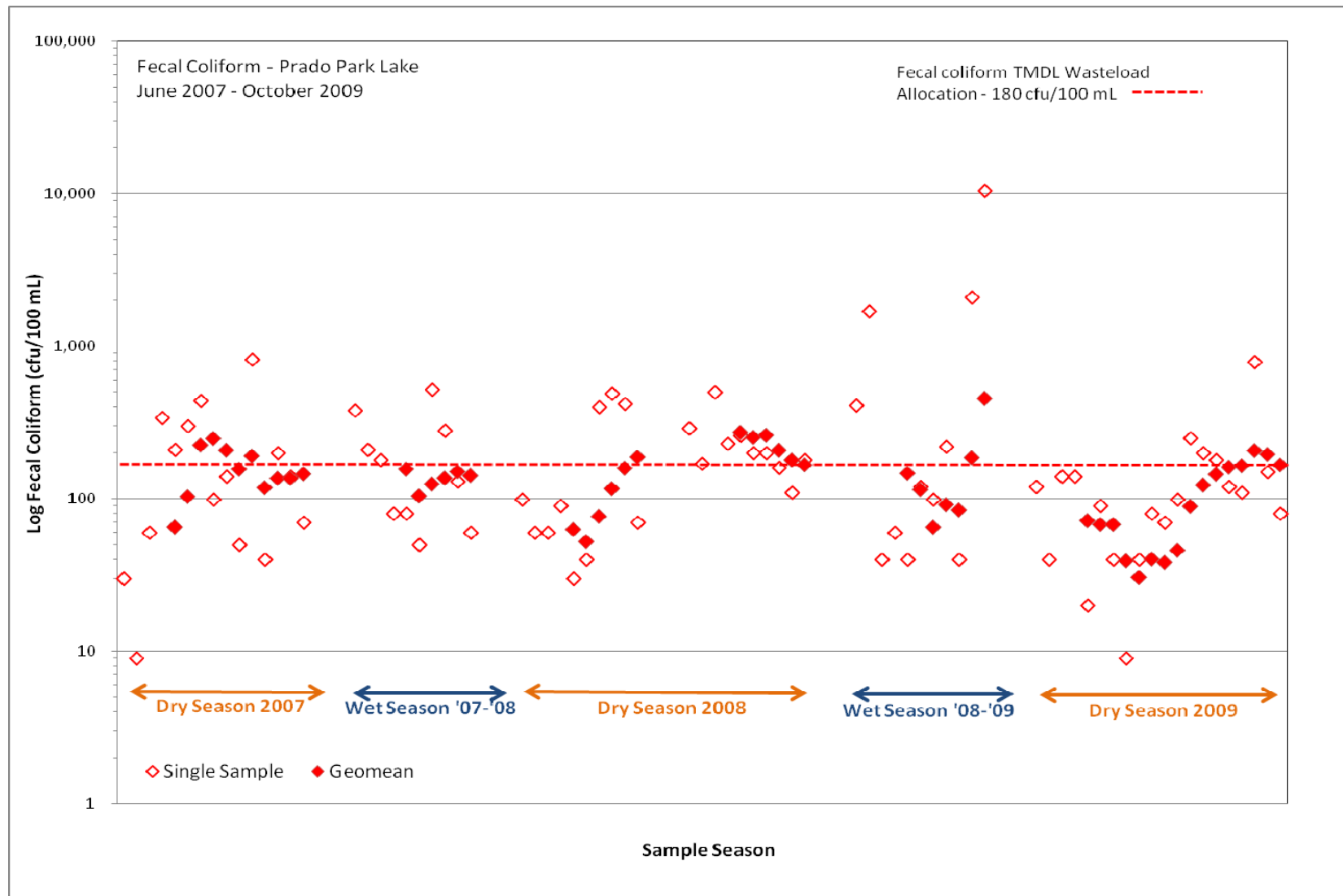


Figure 3-1. Time series plot of fecal coliform single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Prado Park Lake (2007-2009). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

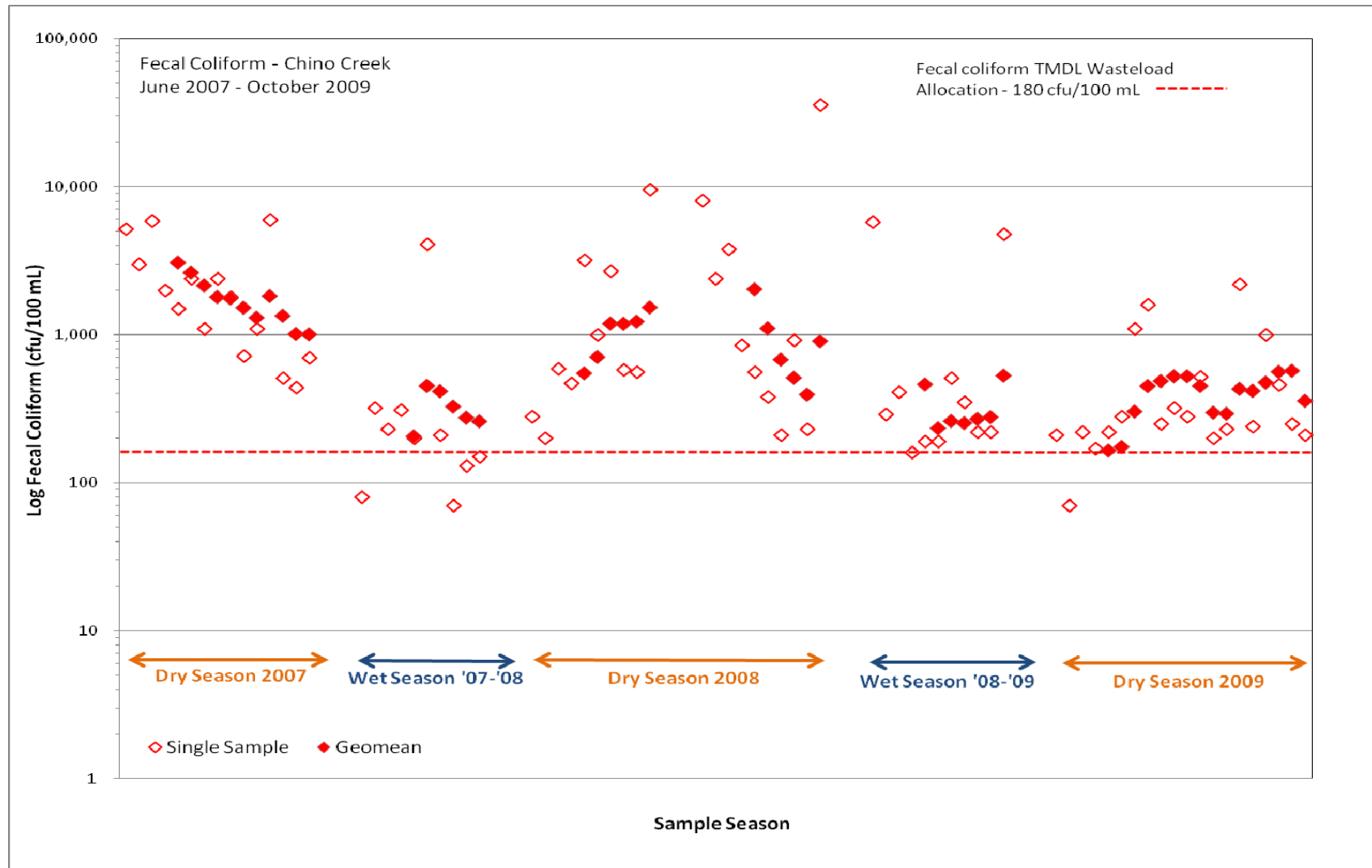


Figure 3-2. Time series plot of fecal coliform single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Chino Creek (2007-2009). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

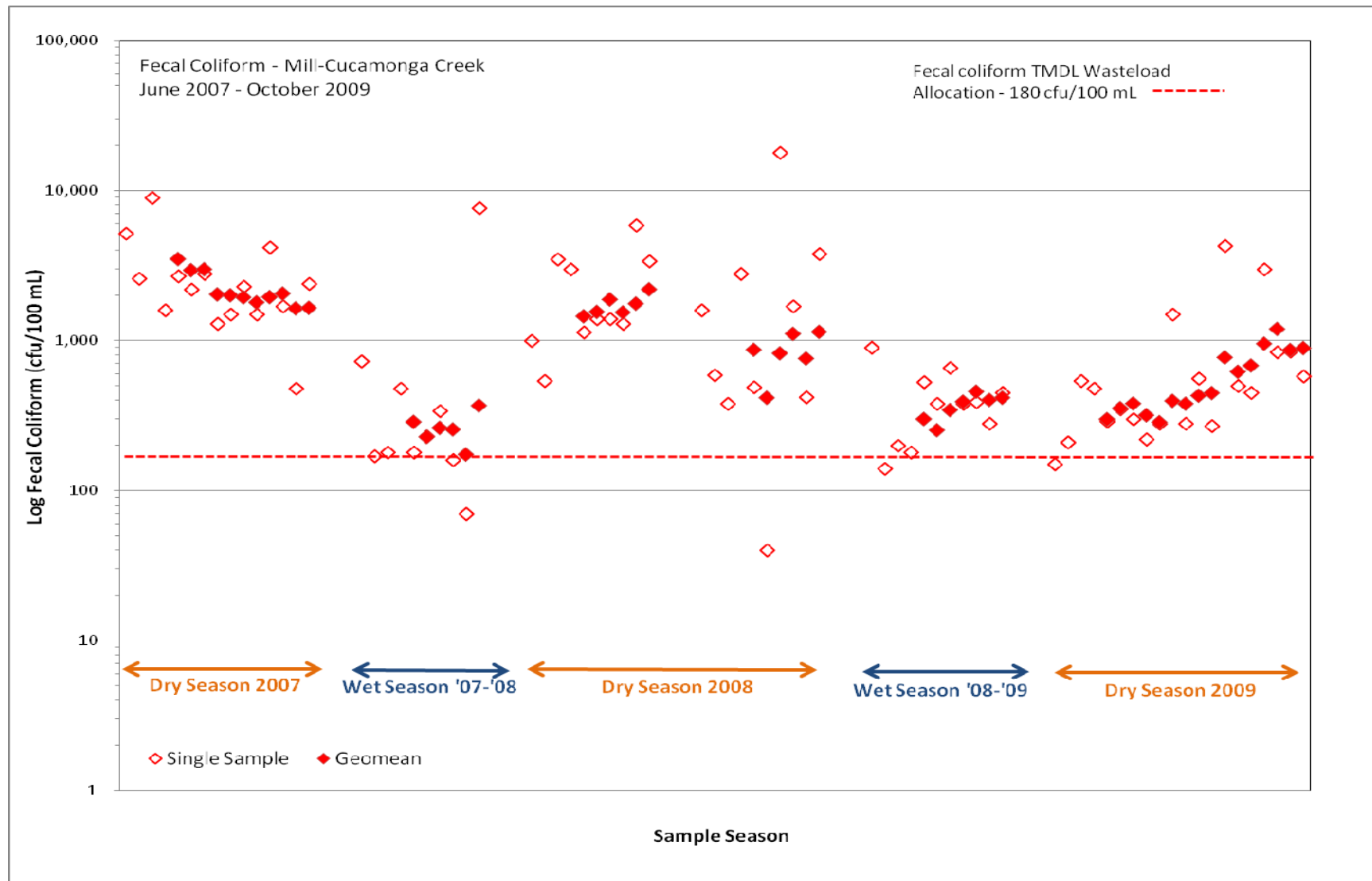


Figure 3-3. Time series plot of fecal coliform single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Mill-Cucamonga Creek (2007-2009). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

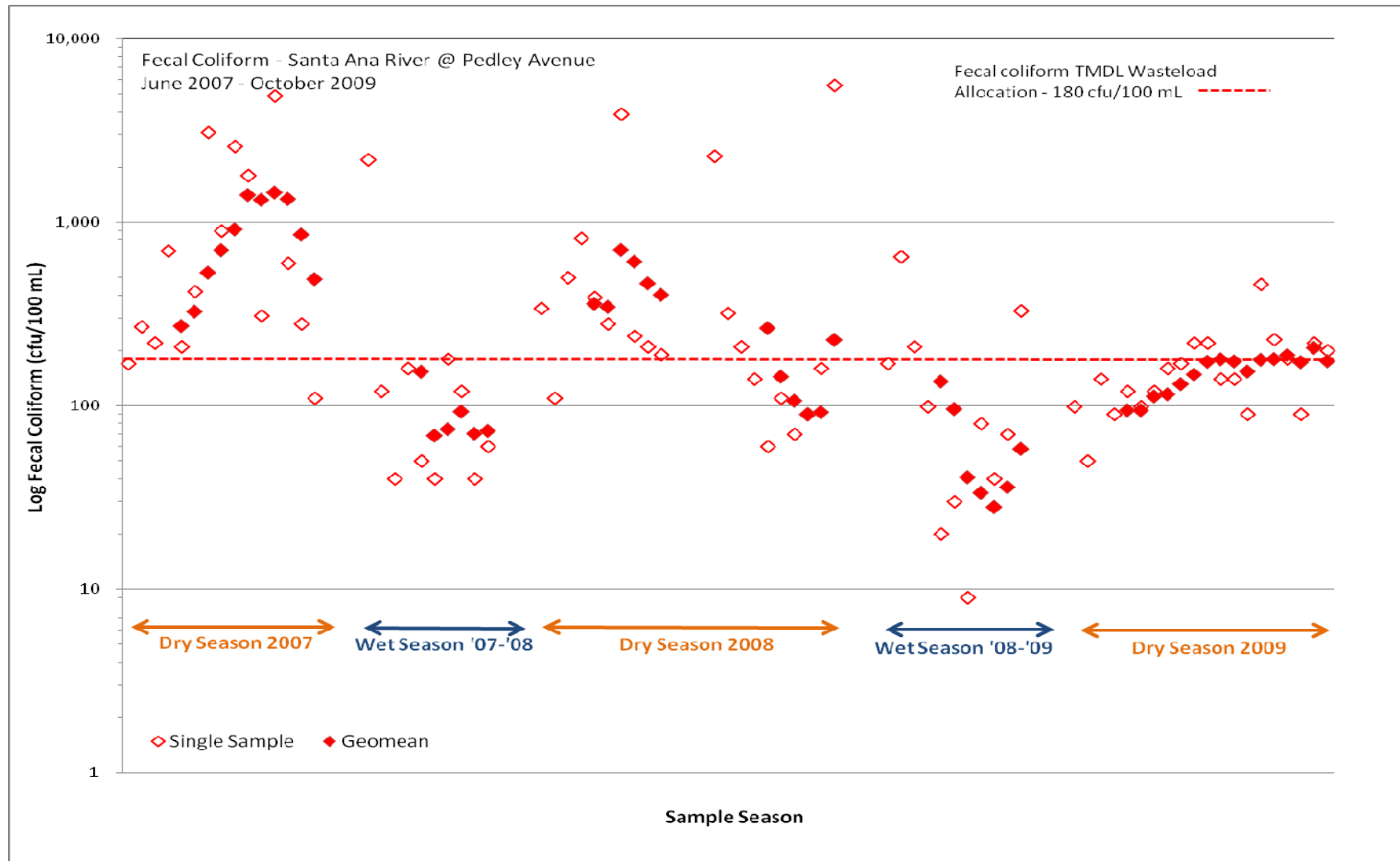


Figure 3-4. Time series plot of fecal coliform single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Santa Ana River @ Pedley Avenue (2007-2009). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

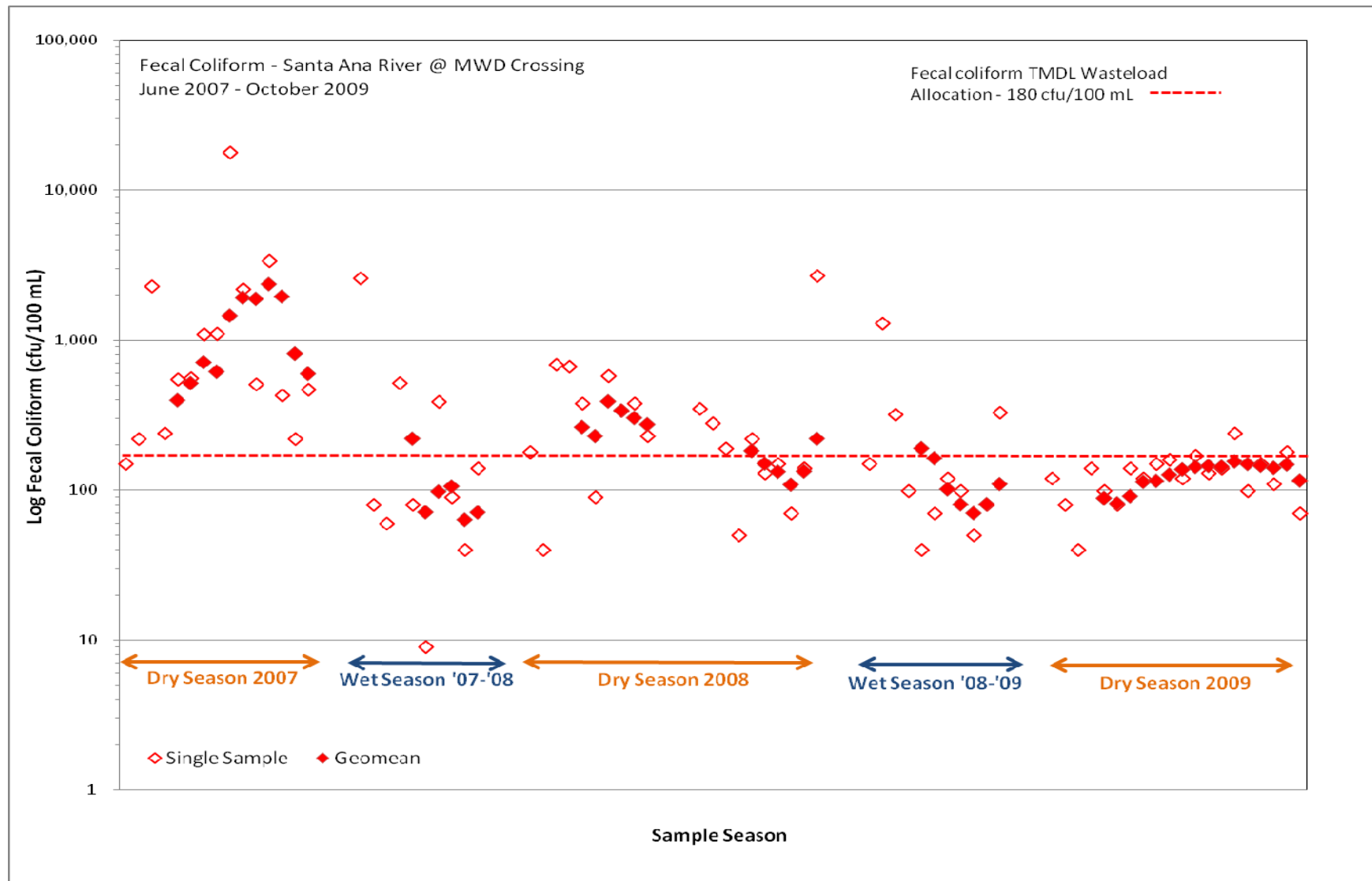


Figure 3-5. Time series plot of fecal coliform single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Santa Ana River @ MWD Crossing (2007-2009). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

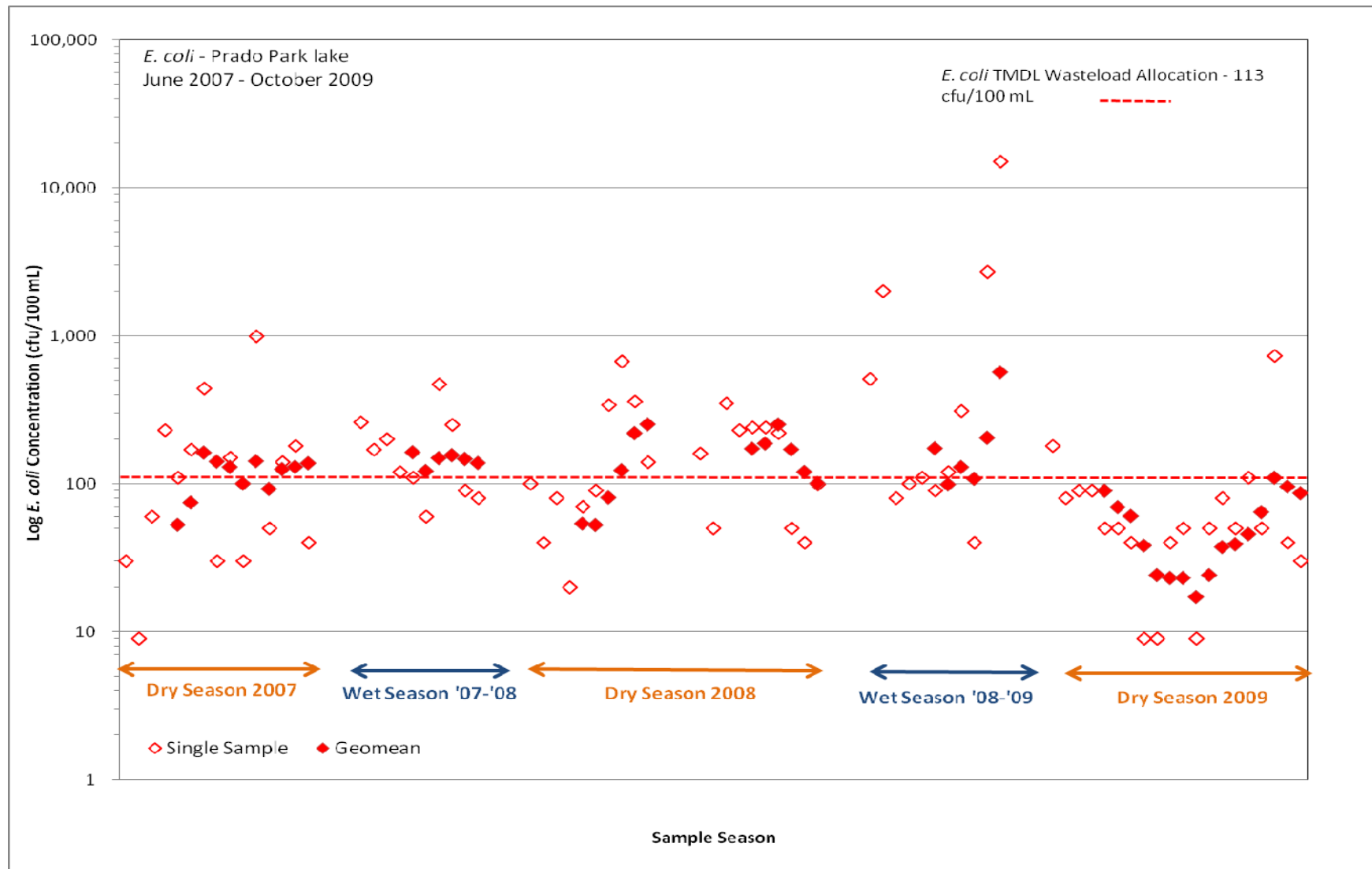


Figure 3-6. Time series plot of *E. coli* single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Prado Park Lake (2007-2009). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

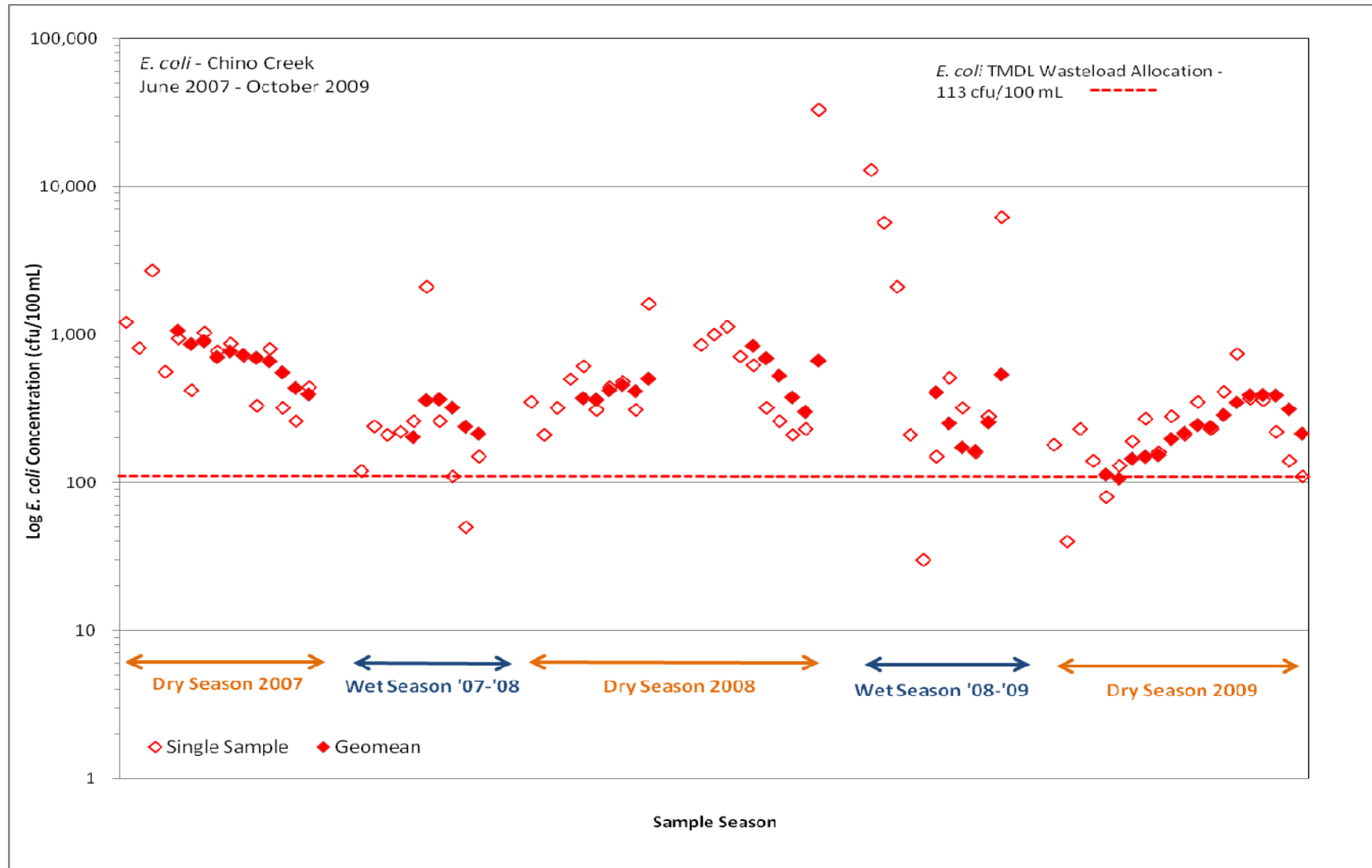


Figure 3-7. Time series plot of *E. coli* single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Chino Creek (2007-2009). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

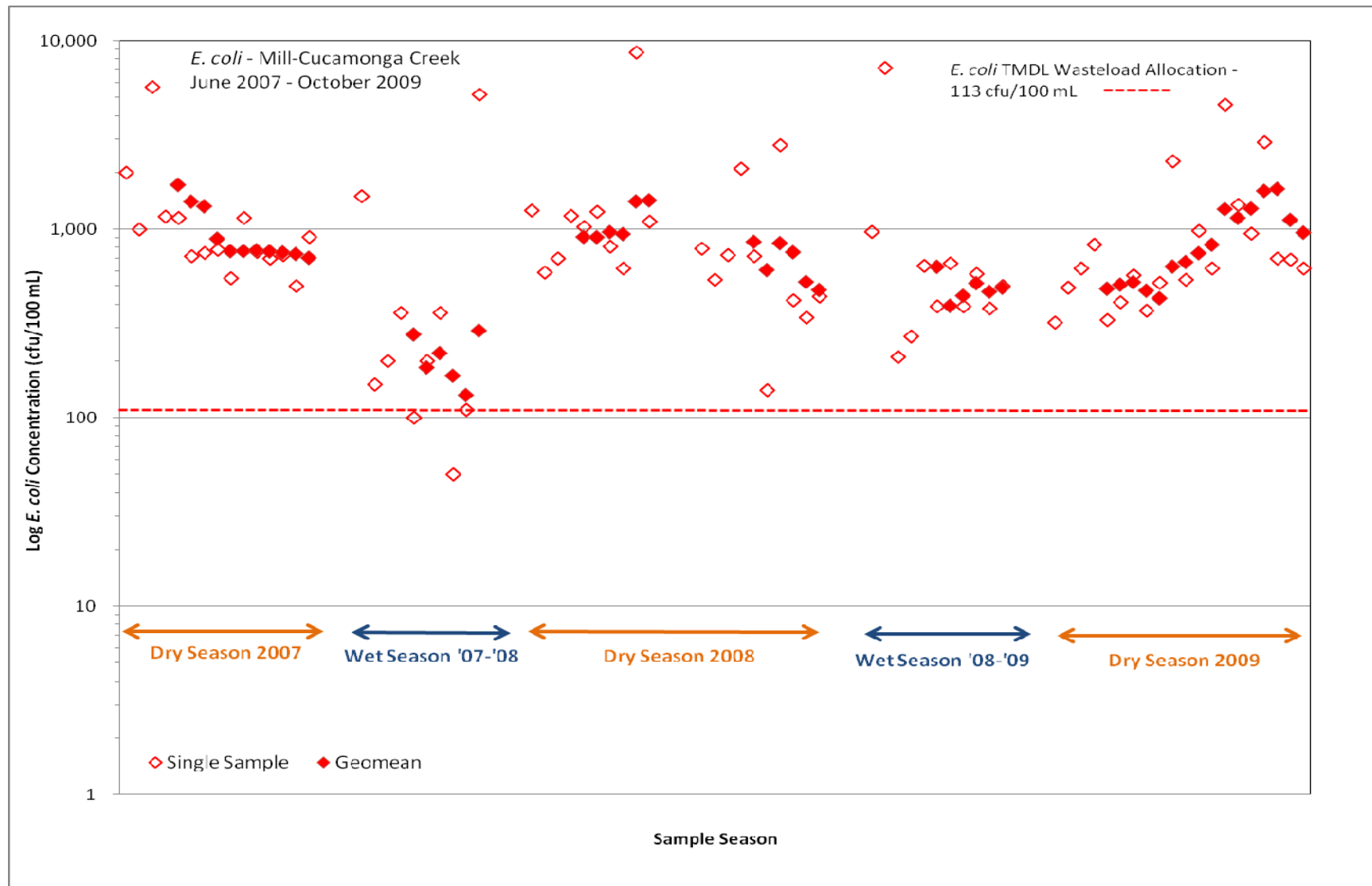


Figure 3-8. Time series plot of *E. coli* single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Mill-Cucamonga Creek (2007-2009). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

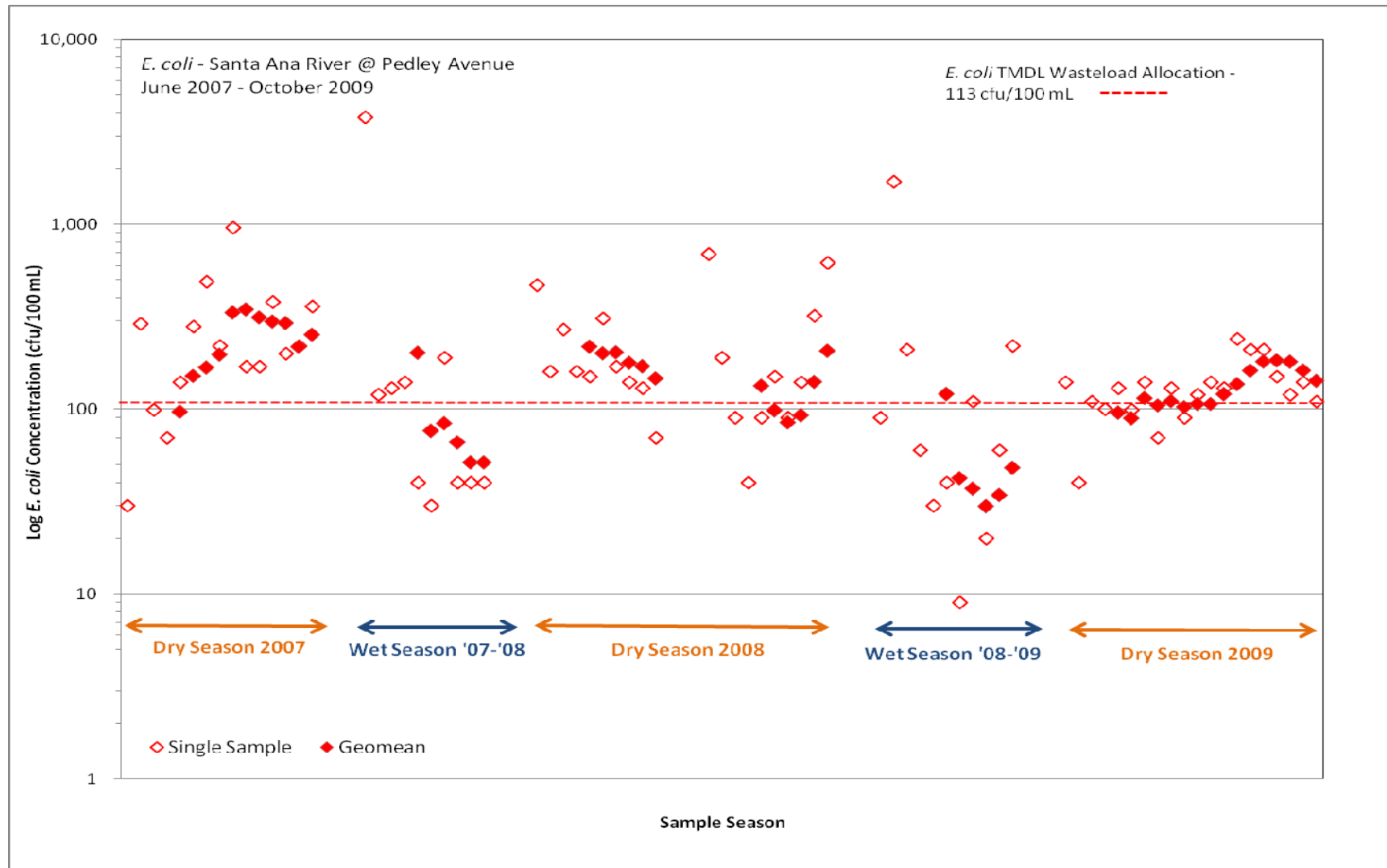


Figure 3-9. Time series plot of *E. coli* single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Santa Ana River @ Pedley Avenue (2007-2009). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

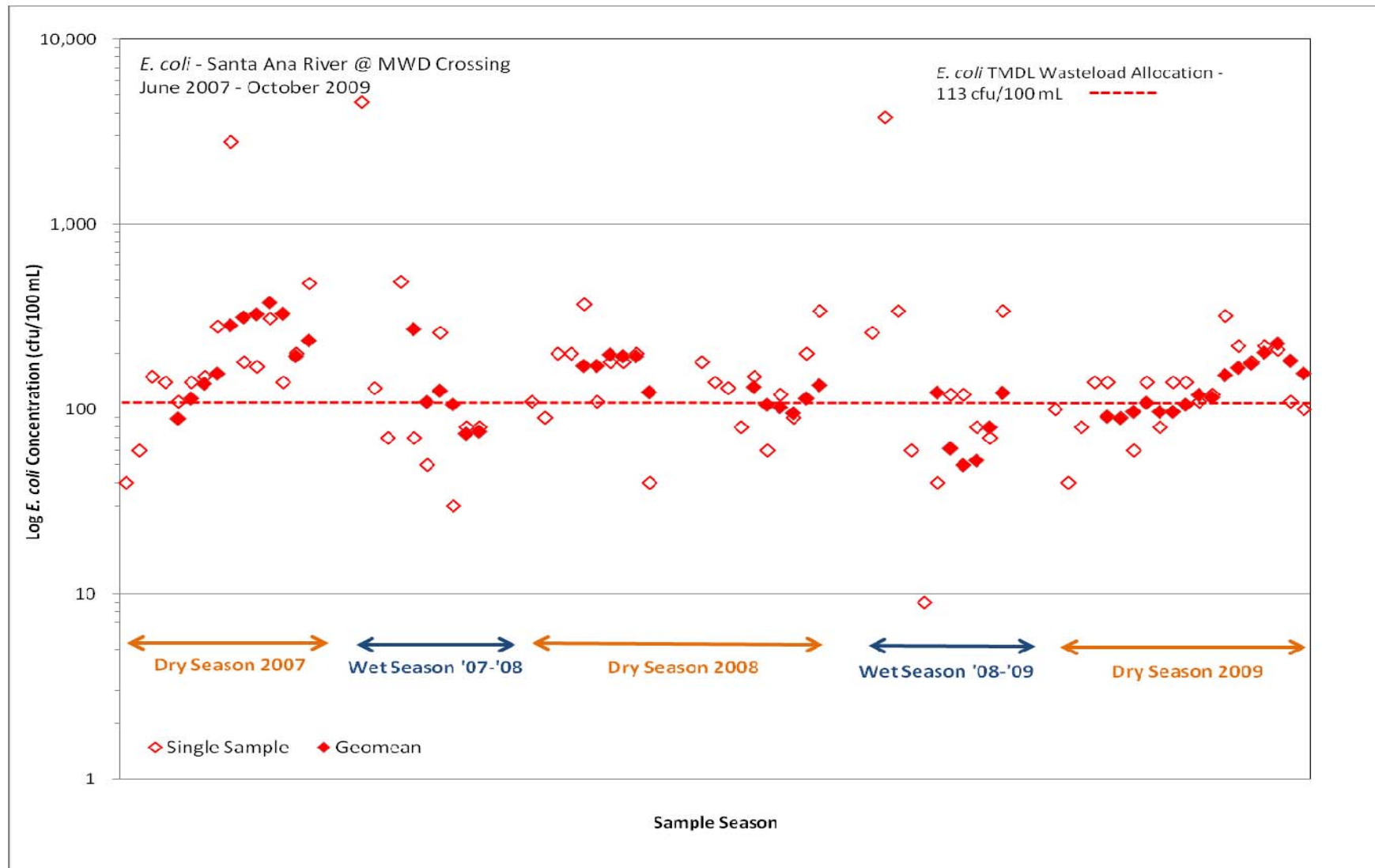


Figure 3-10. Time series plot of *E. coli* single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Santa Ana River @ MWD Crossing (2007-2009). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

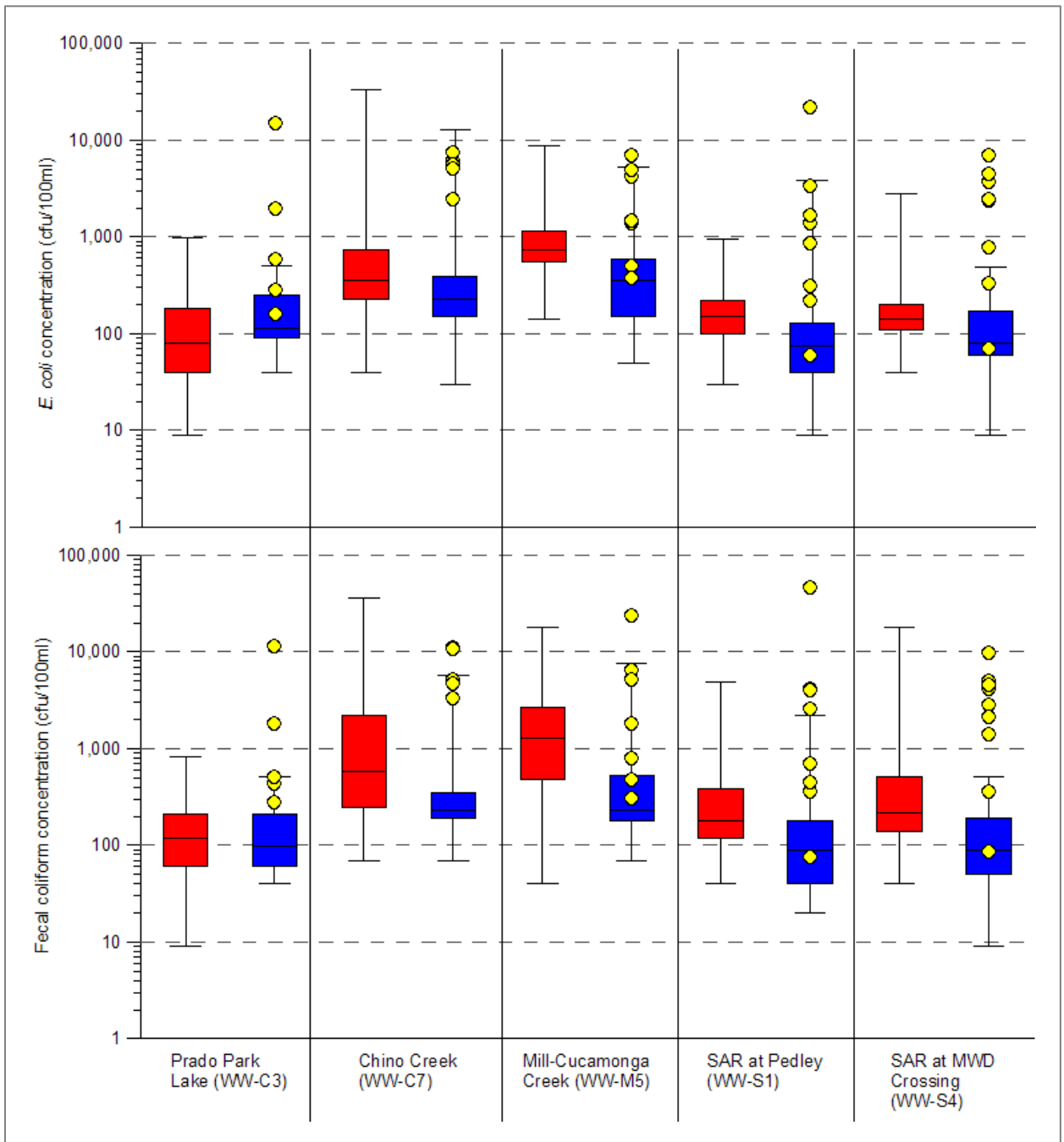


Figure 3-11. Box-whisker plots of bacteria indicator concentrations from 2007-2009 during dry weather in the dry season (red) and wet season (blue), and wet weather events (yellow points).

In general, the observed overall dry season geometric mean FIB concentrations at each watershed-wide compliance site have declined over the period from 2007-2009 (Figures 3-12 and 3-13). Concentrations at Prado Park Lake have been below the fecal coliform WLA throughout the period; with the exception of 2008, *E. coli* concentrations have also been below the WLA. In 2009, the dry season geometric mean observed for fecal coliform was below the WLAs at both Santa Ana River sites; *E. coli* met the water quality objective, but was above the WLA. Although a general decline in geometric means occurred at the Chino Creek and Mill-Cucamonga Creek sites, bacterial indicator concentrations remain well above the WLAs.

Figures 3-14 and 3-15 illustrate the wet season geometric mean for fecal coliform and *E. coli*, respectively. The geometric mean calculations include the storm event data collected during each wet season. In general, the observed wet season geometric mean FIB concentrations at each watershed-wide compliance site were greater in 2008-2009 than in 2007-2008. This difference is influenced to some degree by the concentrations observed during the storm event. With the exception of Prado Park Lake (which met the WLA for fecal coliform in 2007-2008), no site met the WLA for either fecal coliform or *E. coli* for either wet season period.

3.2 Compliance Frequency

Tables 3-9 and 3-10 summarize the frequency of compliance with single sample and geometric mean Basin Plan water quality objectives for fecal coliform (single sample maximum: 400 cfu/mL; geometric mean: 200 cfu/mL) and proposed water quality objectives for *E. coli* (single sample maximum: 235 cfu/mL; geometric mean: 126 cfu/mL) during the dry seasons of 2007, 2008 and 2009. In general, the frequency of compliance with single sample criteria has improved during the dry season between 2007 and 2009. Improvements in compliance with geometric criteria have been observed at Prado Park Lake and both Santa Ana River sites. However, this is not the case at the Chino Creek and Mill-Cucamonga Creek sites.

Tables 3-11 and 3-12 summarize the frequency of compliance with single sample and geometric mean Basin Plan water quality objectives for fecal coliform (single sample maximum: 400 cfu/mL; geometric mean: 200 cfu/mL) and proposed water quality objectives for *E. coli* (single sample maximum: 235 cfu/mL; geometric mean: 126 cfu/mL) during the wet seasons of 2007-2008 and 2008-2009. For the single sample data, the compliance frequency was calculated separately for dry and wet weather samples. Compliance with fecal coliform objectives was generally better during the 2008-2009 season than the 2007-2008 season – even during wet weather. Differences occurred between sample seasons with regards to compliance with proposed *E. coli* objectives; however, no particular trend was evident.

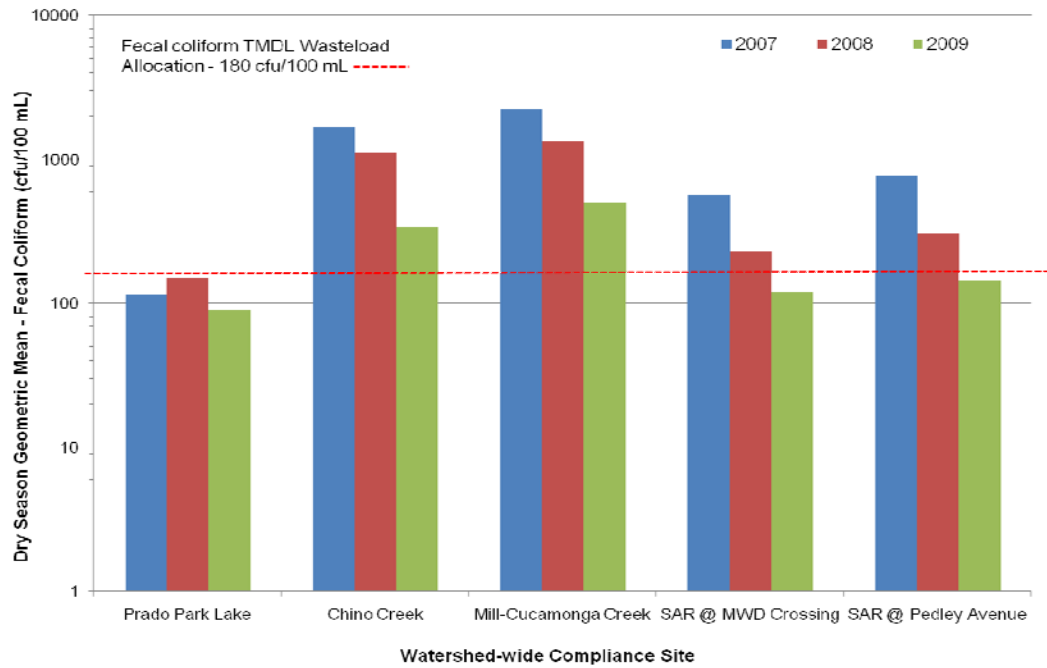


Figure 3-12. Change in dry season fecal coliform geometric means for 2007-2009.

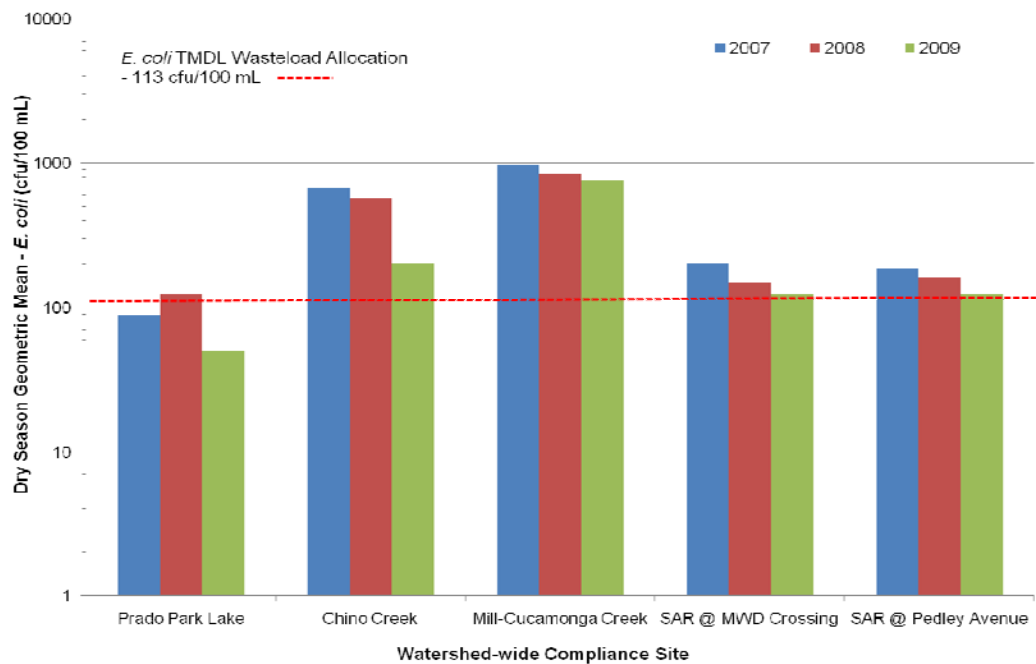


Figure 3-13. Change in dry season *E. coli* geometric means for 2007-2009.

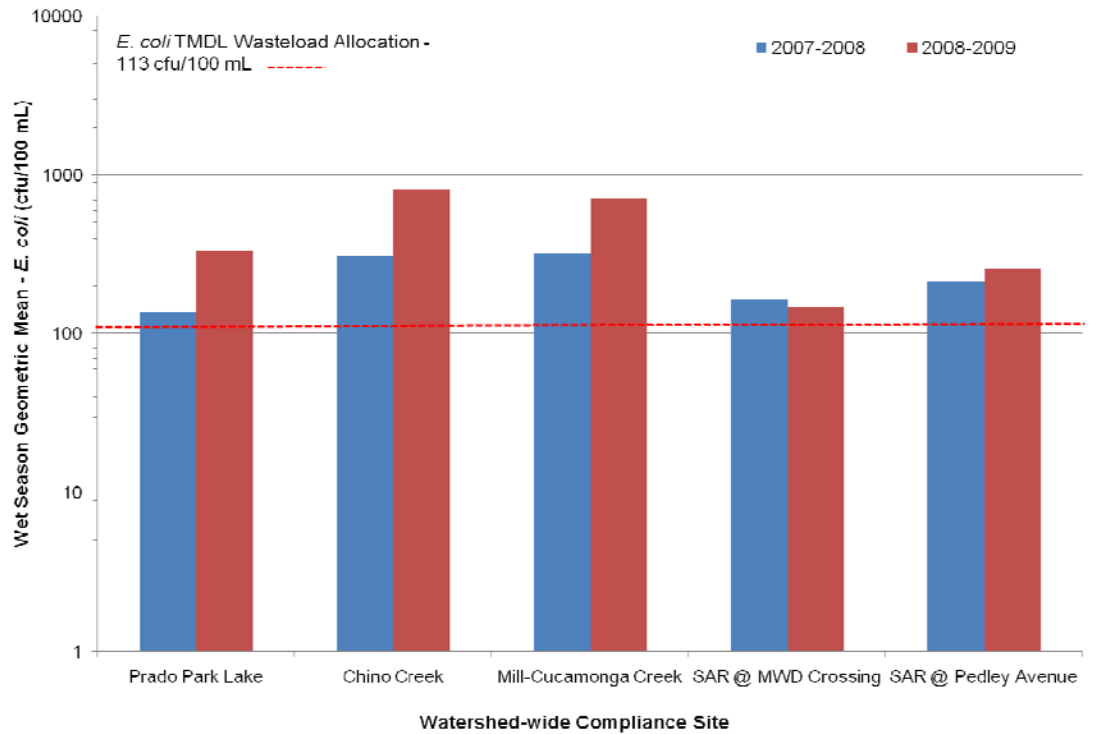
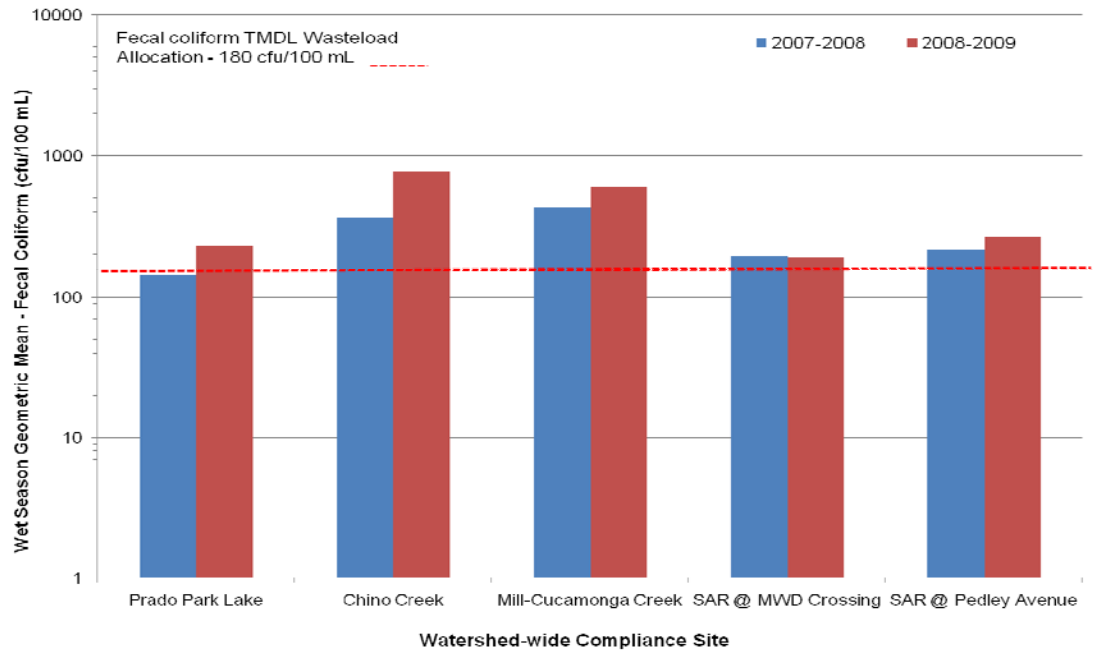


Figure 3-15. Change in wet season *E. coli* geometric means for 2007-2009.

Table 3-9. Compliance frequency for fecal coliform during the 2007, 2008, and 2009 dry seasons (as compared to existing Basin Plan objectives for fecal coliform)

Site	Single Sample Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)			Geometric Mean Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)		
	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009
Prado Park Lake	13%	15%	5%	27%	33%	6%
Chino Creek	100%	75%	35%	100%	100%	88%
Mill-Cucamonga Creek	100%	90%	55%	100%	100%	100%
SAR @ MWD Crossing	53%	20%	5%	82%	58%	6%
SAR @ Pedley Ave.	73%	25%	0%	91%	67%	0%

Table 3-10. Compliance frequency for *E. coli* during the 2007, 2008, and 2009 dry seasons (as compared to proposed Basin Plan objectives for *E. coli*)

Site	Single Sample Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)			Geometric Mean Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)		
	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009
Prado Park Lake	20%	30%	5%	64%	50%	0%
Chino Creek	100%	85%	35%	100%	100%	88%
Mill-Cucamonga Creek	100%	95%	100%	100%	100%	100%
SAR @ MWD Crossing	40%	15%	5%	91%	58%	44%
SAR @ Pedley Ave.	27%	25%	5%	82%	75%	44%

Table 3-11. Compliance frequency for fecal coliform during the 2007-08 and 2008-2009 wet seasons

Site	Single Sample Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)				Geometric Mean Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)	
	2007-2008		2008-2009		2007-2008	2008-2009
	Dry Weather	Wet Weather	Dry Weather	Wet Weather		
Prado Park Lake	21%	100%	20%	75%	10%	30%
Chino Creek	73%	100%	30%	100%	93%	100%
Mill Creek	75%	100%	33%	80%	97%	100%
SAR @ MWD Crossing	50%	100%	0%	67%	70%	40%
SAR @ Pedley Ave.	55%	100%	0%	67%	73%	40%

Table 3-12. Compliance frequency for *E. coli* during the 2007-08 and 2008-2009 wet seasons

Site	Single Sample Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%) *				Geometric Mean Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)	
	2007-2008		2008-2009		2007-2008	2008-2009
	Dry Weather	Wet Weather	Dry Weather	Wet Weather		
Prado Park Lake	15%	0%	40%	100%	53%	70%
Chino Creek	73%	100%	60%	100%	100%	100%
Mill Creek	75%	100%	89%	100%	100%	100%
SAR @ MWD Crossing	28%	100%	0%	67%	73%	40%
SAR @ Pedley Ave.	23%	100%	25%	83%	63%	40%

Section 4

Compliance with Load Allocations

4.1 Background

The TMDL contains load allocations (LA) for agricultural runoff discharges and natural sources. These LAs are the same as the WLAs that have been established for urban dischargers and CAFOs. Section 1.2 summarizes these allocations.

As noted previously, the watershed-wide compliance monitoring program samples five locations on a regular basis, which includes natural sources during dry and wet weather and agricultural discharges during runoff events. Monitoring specific to agriculture discharges has also occurred during wet weather. Monitoring that targets natural sources has not occurred during the past three years. The following sections provide information on FIB concentrations observed during agricultural discharge monitoring.

4.2 Agricultural Source Monitoring Program

Agricultural dischargers implemented a source evaluation program in 2008. This program included wet weather sampling at selected sites in the MSAR watershed where agricultural activity occurs. Sampling occurred during two separate storm events at four sites (Table 4-1, Figure 4-1). During a storm event, two samples are collected from each site 30 minutes apart. Sampling methods are consistent with the watershed-wide compliance monitoring program. Specific details are provided in the MSAR Monitoring Plan (SAWPA 2008a) and associated Quality Assurance Project Plan (SAWPA 2008b).

4.3 Bacterial Indicator Concentrations

Table 4-2 summarizes wet weather monitoring results for the two storm events sampled in 2009. Concentrations of FIB exceeded the LAs established for agriculture discharges at all four sample sites during both storm events. Limited sampling data from these sites prevents making any evaluation of trends at these locations.

Table 4-2. FIB concentrations observed at agriculture discharge sites during two storm events sampled in 2009. Each site is sampled twice, 30 minutes apart, during each storm event.

FIB	Event	Cypress Channel at Kimball Ave (CYP1)		Grove Ave. Channel at Merrill Ave. (G2)		Euclid Ave. Channel at Pine Ave. (E2)		Eucalyptus Ave. at Walker Ave. (G1) ¹		Eucalyptus Ave. at Cleveland Ave. (CL-1) ¹	
		1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
<i>E. coli</i>	Storm 1 (2/16/09)	17,000	24,000	>= 160,000	>= 160,000	3,000	5,000	>= 160,000	>= 160,000	No Sample	No Sample
	Storm 2 (12/12/09)	130,000	30,000	80,000	170,000	4,000	4,000	No Sample	No Sample	7,000	2,000
Fecal coliform	Storm 1 (2/16/09)	17,000	24,000	>= 160,000	>= 160,000	3,000	13,000	>= 160,000	>= 160,000	No Sample	No Sample
	Storm 2 (12/12/09)	240,000	130,000	130,000	210,000	4,000	8,000	No Sample	No Sample	7,000	2,000

¹ – CL-1 sample location was established as a back-up location if little or no flow occurred at G1. During Storm 1 site G1 was sampled; during Storm 2 site CL-1 was sampled instead.

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